

**Exhibit 1**

April 15, 2008

TO: Judge Chesney  
Federal Court

Re: Daniel Hickey

Dear Judge

I am writing to you in a desperate plea to spare my husband from prison.

Dan, after a long life of doing a lot of good for his family and his country, has committed a serious crime. He struggles every day to find words to help us forgive him for what he has done. It is hard for me to understand how this all happened, and that was in the last couple of years.

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Dan realized he had developed a problem with child porn. He told me that he needed therapy and psychiatric intervention which he finally went to the Veterans Hospital to get. He was beginning to eliminate the images when he was arrested.

Dan is a sick old man. We all know that prison will kill him. His doctors have told me that Dan has maybe 1 or 2 years of life left. He has been to the hospital many, many times in the last couple years - and most of

that was in the Emergency room.  
Dad is a good, good man, / he  
has never been a smoker or  
a drinker. / he has never gone  
out in the evening unless it  
was to check on a movie.

Our son, / Gordon, is a bright  
and inquisitive young boy with  
a serious learning disability. (ADD)  
/ Gordon depends on his dad to  
stay focused on his homework  
and complete the assignments.  
/ he loves his dad very much.  
If his Dad is sent to  
prison, / Gordon will be  
broken hearted.

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Since Dan's arrest, he was  
fired from his part-time  
teaching in the community  
college. If he goes to prison  
he will lose his Social  
Security benefits and his  
Veterans Disability Pension.  
This will have a serious  
financial impact on Horlan  
and me. - Furthermore, Dan  
will not be able to be the  
manager of the building we  
live in, and we could have  
to pay \$3,000 per mo. rent.  
We don't have that kind  
of money.

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Wen was arrested by the FBI in front of his student, faculty, and our son. It was publicized on TV, radio, and in the print media. I was called into the office of my supervisor at work - Price Waterhouse Coopers. They do not want this kind of publicity. If Dan goes to prison, I could also lose my job.

1. Lorlon goes to church every Sunday. He is a Deacon in the Golden Gate Ward of the LDS Church. (MORMON)

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Don cannot attend school with  
him any more, however, he  
does take Halon to his track  
meets and rugby games. Halon  
is a very fast runner and a  
very good rugby player. —

Don was a war hero, and  
because of that, the Marine  
Corps selected Don out of  
hundreds of applications to be  
on the Marine Burial Detail,  
an Essential Duty. He took  
his fellow deceased Marine's  
home on train and presented  
the flag on the casket  
to the next of kin.

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Wan and I have had a  
happy 75-year marriage  
with no problems until  
now. He raised his  
daughter, Aseg, alone.  
He admits he made huge  
mistake in marrying two  
other women. Mrs. Jofford  
abused his daughter. Mrs.  
Largo would not pay her  
taxes and slept with  
other men. When Dan  
divorced her, she would  
not leave his home and  
he had to call the sheriff  
to get her out.

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I am a college graduate,  
I am not submissive, or  
subservient. I am not a  
mail order bride. I am  
lived with friends in my  
hometown, Cebu City, which  
is the second largest city in  
the Philippines. I deeply regret  
the false accusation I read  
by Mrs. Stottord. This  
lady is an evil person,  
she almost ruined Dan's  
life.

Dan is so very, very  
sorry for all that has  
transpired and especially

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sorry for what he has done. - He is ashamed of himself and beats himself up over what he has done. Dan has so many medical problems and illnesses, I can't describe them all. It would take 3-4 pages handwritten. He tells me that death would be almost welcome.

Dan started life in orphanages and foster home. His father who deserted him, his mother and sister was an alcoholic, a gambler and a thief. His real mother was in and



out of mental institution most  
of her life. Dan did not  
ask for jury. He worked  
his way through high  
school and college. He  
served 4 years in the  
Marines and in combat.  
He has been an outstanding  
teacher and father.

Please do not give him  
a prison sentence. He  
can barely walk. He is  
now suffering from a  
heart condition and vertigo.  
He has fainted twice in



the last 3 weeks,

Please, please, spare  
him prison. We  
have nowhere to go, and  
I will probably lose my  
job. Most of all, we  
worry about our beautiful  
young son. Dan has  
carefully explained to Horlan  
what ~~had~~ he did, why  
it was wrong and why  
he was arrested. He has  
asked Horlan to forgive  
him.

Please try to judge



He can see the good he  
has done in life, the  
obstacles he has had to  
overcome his entire life  
and not just this one  
terrible deed. He is no  
danger to his son, or to  
children anywhere, anytime.

I thank you for taking  
the time to read this  
letter. Dan's life may  
depend on it.

Sincerely yours,  
Estella Dick